



FUNDING COMMITMENT DECISION LETTER
(Funding Year 2014: 07/01/2014 - 06/30/2015)

May 15, 2014

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Re: FCC Form 471 Application Number: 976381
Billed Entity Number (BEN): 139233
Billed Entity FCC Registration Number (FCC RN): 0011545258
Applicant's Form Identifier: DHTYr17471

Thank you for your Funding Year 2014 application for Universal Service Support and for any assistance you provided throughout our review. The current status of the funding request(s) in the FCC Form 471 application cited above and featured in the Funding Commitment Report(s) (Report) at the end of this letter is as follows.

- The amount, \$52,068.14 is "Approved."

Please refer to the Report following this letter for specific funding request decisions and explanations. The Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC) is also sending this information to your service provider(s) so preparations can begin for implementing your approved discount(s) after you file FCC Form 486, Receipt of Service Confirmation Form. A guide that provides a definition for each line of the Report is available in the Guide to USAC Letter Reports in the Reference Area of our website.

NEXT STEPS

- Work with your service provider to determine if you will receive discounted bills or if you will request reimbursement from USAC after paying your bills in full.
- Review technology planning approval requirements.
- Review Children's Internet Protection Act (CIPA) requirements.
- File FCC Form 486.
- Invoice USAC using the FCC Form 474, Service Provider Invoice (SPI) Form, or FCC Form 472, Billed Entity Applicant Reimbursement (BEAR) Form, - as products and services are being delivered and billed.

TO APPEAL THIS DECISION:

You have the option of filing an appeal with USAC or directly with the Federal Communications Commission (FCC).

If you wish to appeal a decision in this letter to USAC, your appeal must be received by USAC or postmarked within 60 days of the date of this letter. Failure to meet this requirement will result in automatic dismissal of your appeal. In your letter of appeal:

1. Include the name, address, telephone number, fax number, and email address for the person who can most readily discuss this appeal with us.

2. State outright that your letter is an appeal. Include the following to identify the USAC decision letter (e.g., FCDL) and the decision you are appealing:
 - Appellant name,
 - Applicant name and service provider name, if different from appellant,
 - Applicant BEN and Service Provider Identification Number (SPIN),
 - FCC Form 471 Application Number 976381 and the Funding Request Number (FRN) or Numbers as assigned by USAC,
 - "Funding Commitment Decision Letter for Funding Year 2014," AND
 - The exact text or the decision that you are appealing.
3. Please keep your letter to the point, and provide documentation to support your appeal. Be sure to keep a copy of your entire appeal, including any correspondence and documentation.
4. If you are the applicant, please provide a copy of your appeal to the service provider(s) affected by USAC's decision. If you are the service provider, please provide a copy of your appeal to the applicant(s) affected by USAC's decision.
5. Provide an authorized signature on your letter of appeal.

We strongly recommend that you use one of the electronic filing options. To submit your appeal to USAC by email, email your appeal to appeals@sl.universalservice.org or submit your appeal electronically by using the "Submit a Question" feature on the USAC website. USAC will automatically reply to incoming emails to confirm receipt.

To submit your appeal to USAC by fax, fax your appeal to (973) 599-6542.

To submit your appeal to USAC on paper, send your appeal to:

Letter of Appeal
Schools and Libraries Division - Correspondence Unit
30 Lanidex Plaza West
PO Box 685
Parsippany, NJ 07054-0685

For more information on submitting an appeal to USAC, please see "Appeals" in the Schools and Libraries section of the USAC website.

If you wish to appeal a decision in this letter to the FCC, you should refer to CC Docket No. 02-6 on the first page of your appeal to the FCC. Your appeal must be received by the FCC or postmarked within 60 days of the date of this letter. Failure to meet this requirement will result in automatic dismissal of your appeal. We strongly recommend that you use the electronic filing options described in Appeals in the Schools and Libraries section of our website. If you are submitting your appeal via United States Postal Service, send to: FCC, Office of the Secretary, 445 12th Street SW, Washington, DC 20554.

OBLIGATION TO PAY NON-DISCOUNT PORTION

Applicants are required to pay the non-discount portion of the cost of the products and/or services to their service provider(s). Service providers are required to bill applicants for the non-discount portion. The FCC stated that requiring applicants to pay their share ensures efficiency and accountability in the program. If USAC is being billed via the FCC Form 474, the service provider must bill the applicant at the same time it bills USAC. If USAC is being billed via the FCC Form 472, the applicant pays the service provider in full (the non-discount plus discount portion) and then seeks reimbursement from USAC. If you are using a trade-in as part of your non-discount portion, please refer to Disposal or Trade-in of Equipment posted in the Reference Area of our website for more information.

NOTICE ON RULES AND FUNDS AVAILABILITY

Applicants' receipt of funding commitments is contingent on their compliance with all statutory, regulatory, and procedural requirements of the Schools and Libraries Program. Applicants who have received funding commitments continue to be subject to audits and other reviews that USAC and/or the FCC may undertake periodically to assure that funds that have been committed are being used in accordance with all such requirements. USAC may be required to reduce or cancel funding commitments that were not issued in accordance with such requirements, whether due to action or inaction, including but not limited to that by USAC, the applicant, or the service provider. USAC, and other appropriate authorities (including but not limited to the FCC), may pursue enforcement actions and other means of recourse to collect improperly disbursed funds. The timing of payment of invoices may also be affected by the availability of funds based on the amount of funds collected from contributing telecommunications companies.

FUNDING COMMITMENT REPORT
Billed Entity Name: DIOCESE OF HOUMA-THIBODAUX
BEN: 139233
Funding Year: 2014

Comment on RAL corrections: The applicant did not submit any RAL corrections.

FCC Form 471 Application Number: 976381
Funding Request Number: 2659209
Funding Status: Funded
Category of Service: Telecommunications Service
FCC Form 470 Application Number: 207300001217621
SPIN: 143004824
Service Provider Name: BellSouth Telecommunications, LLC
Contract Number: T
Billing Account Number: N/A
Multiple Billing Account Numbers: N
Service Start Date: 07/01/2014
Service End Date: 06/30/2015
Contract Award Date: N/A
Contract Expiration Date: N/A
Shared Worksheet Number: 1695488
Number of Months Recurring Service Provided in Funding Year: 12
Annual Pre-discount Amount for Eligible Recurring Charges: \$13,795.20
Annual Pre-discount Amount for Eligible Non-recurring Charges: \$.00
Pre-discount Amount: \$13,795.20
Discount Percentage Approved by the USAC: 41%
Funding Commitment Decision: \$5,656.03 - FRN approved as submitted

FCDL Date: 05/15/2014
Wave Number: 001
Last Allowable Date for Delivery and Installation for Non-Recurring Services: 09/30/2015
Consultant Name:
Consultant Registration Number (CRN):
Consultant Employer:

FUNDING COMMITMENT REPORT
Billed Entity Name: DIOCESE OF HOUMA-THIBODAUX
BEN: 139233
Funding Year: 2014



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FCC Form 471 Application Number: 976381
Funding Request Number: 2659233
Funding Status: Funded
Category of Service: Telecommunications Service
FCC Form 470 Application Number: 207300001217621
SPIN: 143028369
Service Provider Name: Hunt Telecommunications, LLC
Contract Number: T
Billing Account Number: N/A
Multiple Billing Account Numbers: N
Service Start Date: 07/01/2014
Service End Date: 06/30/2015
Contract Award Date: N/A
Contract Expiration Date: N/A
Site Identifier: 139233
Number of Months Recurring Service Provided in Funding Year: 12
Annual Pre-discount Amount for Eligible Recurring Charges: \$770.40
Annual Pre-discount Amount for Eligible Non-recurring Charges: \$.00
Pre-discount Amount: \$770.40
Discount Percentage Approved by the USAC: 40%
Funding Commitment Decision: \$308.16 - FRN approved as submitted

FCDL Date: 05/15/2014
Wave Number: 001
Last Allowable Date for Delivery and Installation for Non-Recurring Services: 09/30/2015
Consultant Name:
Consultant Registration Number (CRN):
Consultant Employer:

FUNDING COMMITMENT REPORT
Billed Entity Name: DIOCESE OF HOUMA-THIBODAUX
BEN: 139233
Funding Year: 2014

Comment on RAL corrections: The applicant did not submit any RAL corrections.

FCC Form 471 Application Number: 976381
Funding Request Number: 2665374
Funding Status: Funded
Category of Service: Internet Access
FCC Form 470 Application Number: 207300001217621
SPIN: 143027282
Service Provider Name: Edline, LLC
Contract Number: 764,873
Billing Account Number: N/A
Multiple Billing Account Numbers: Y
Service Start Date: 07/01/2014
Service End Date: N/A
Contract Award Date: 03/19/2014
Contract Expiration Date: 06/30/2015
Shared Worksheet Number: 1695488
Number of Months Recurring Service Provided in Funding Year: 12
Annual Pre-discount Amount for Eligible Recurring Charges: \$25,022.16
Annual Pre-discount Amount for Eligible Non-recurring Charges: \$.00
Pre-discount Amount: \$25,022.16
Discount Percentage Approved by the USAC: 41%
Funding Commitment Decision: \$10,259.09 - FRN approved as submitted

FCDL Date: 05/15/2014
Wave Number: 001
Last Allowable Date for Delivery and Installation for Non-Recurring Services: 09/30/2015
Consultant Name:
Consultant Registration Number (CRN):
Consultant Employer:

FUNDING COMMITMENT REPORT
Billed Entity Name: DIOCESE OF HOUMA-THIBODAU
BEN: 139233
Funding Year: 2014

Comment on RAL corrections: The applicant did not submit any RAL corrections.

FCC Form 471 Application Number: 976381
Funding Request Number: 2666310
Funding Status: Funded
Category of Service: Internet Access
FCC Form 470 Application Number: 389780001015213
SPIN: 143028922
Service Provider Name: Integrated Data Systems, LLC
Contract Number: N/A
Billing Account Number: N/A
Multiple Billing Account Numbers: Y
Service Start Date: 07/01/2014
Service End Date: N/A
Contract Award Date: 03/15/2012
Contract Expiration Date: 06/30/2015
Shared Worksheet Number: 1695488
Number of Months Recurring Service Provided in Funding Year: 12
Annual Pre-discount Amount for Eligible Recurring Charges: \$87,426.48
Annual Pre-discount Amount for Eligible Non-recurring Charges: \$.00
Pre-discount Amount: \$87,426.48
Discount Percentage Approved by the USAC: 41%
Funding Commitment Decision: \$35,844.86 - FRN approved as submitted

FCDL Date: 05/15/2014
Wave Number: 001
Last Allowable Date for Delivery and Installation for Non-Recurring Services: 09/30/2015
Consultant Name:
Consultant Registration Number (CRN):
Consultant Employer: